



ENJOYING OUR TRAILS

Whether you are a hiker, biker, inline skater, runner or just want to stroll along Shoreline and Stevens Creek Trail's network of shared trails, certain etiquette needs to be followed to ensure everyone a positive experience. We ask that you remember this is a sensitive wildlife area and that you be observant and respectful of the environment and its inhabitants as you meander through the uplands, meadowlands, wetlands and along the creeks.

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

- Stay on designated trails. Prevent injury to yourself and damage to the natural resources by staying on designated trails.
- Be courteous to other trail users. Allow other trail users to pass. When in a group, avoid blocking the trail.
- Stay alert, as slower moving individuals may be startled by faster moving trail users. Announce your presence to other trail users well in advance, and particularly when approaching others from behind. Ensure that you can hear others that are approaching by keeping your walkmen and IPODs on a low volume.
- Be aware of Shoreline and Stevens Creek Trail policies. For a complete list of policies, contact the Shoreline office at (650) 903-6392.

BICYCLISTS:

- Stay on the right hand side of the trail unless you are passing.
- Control your speed at all times. Racing and reckless riding are prohibited.
- Ride only on trails designated for bicyclists' use.
- When encountering foot traffic on narrow trails, stop and wait for pedestrians to pass or signal you through. Walk your bike on the narrow trails.
- Announce your presence to other trail users well in advance, particularly when approaching from behind. A handle bar bell is encouraged.
- Slowly approach blind turns in anticipation of other users and obstacles that are beyond your view. When passing, slow down and pass with care.
- Yield to other bicyclists traveling uphill.
- Always yield to pedestrians.
- A person under the age of 18 may not operate or ride upon a bicycle unless he/she is wearing a helmet that is ANSI approved.

**RUNNERS:**

- Stay on the right hand side of the trail unless you are passing.
- Announce your presence to other trail users well in advance, particularly when approaching from behind.
- Allow oncoming foot traffic to pass on one side of the trail.

WALKERS:

- If talking on your cell phone, be especially aware of others around you.
- Stay to the right hand side of the trail unless you are passing.
- Be alert for approaching bicyclists, runners or inline skaters.
- No more than two walkers are suggested side-by-side to allow for passing.
- Be keenly aware of the whereabouts of your young children.

INLINE SKATERS:

- Stay to the right hand side of the trail unless you are passing.
- Always yield to foot traffic. On trails, slow down and pass with care.
- Announce your presence to other trail users well in advance, particularly when approaching from behind.
- Control your speed at all times. Slowly approach blind turns in anticipation of other trail users and obstacles that are beyond your view.
- Skate only on designated trails and never on roadways or vehicle bridges.
- Racing and reckless skating are prohibited.

TRAIL USERS WITH DOGS:

- Dogs and other domestic animals (except seeing eye dogs) are NOT allowed north of the Crittenden Lane Trailhead toward the Bay or anywhere in Shoreline at Mountain View.
- Dogs are allowed on the Stevens Creek Trail from the Crittenden Lane Trailhead south to Yuba Drive.
- Dog owners are responsible for cleaning up after their animals.
- Because some dogs are unpredictable, step to one side of the trail with your dog to allow enough room for other trail users to pass.
- Be aware of traffic, especially when your dog is on a retractable leash.
- Some trail users are frightened by dogs; communicate with those trail users and keep your dog under control at all times.

**Please call the Shoreline at Mountain View office at (650) 903-6392
for additional information.**

